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"LET ALL THE ENDS THOU AIMEST AT BE THY COUNTRY'S, GOD'S AND TRUTH'S."

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### POETRY.

[The following is one of the most beautiful eces we ever read. Who can read it without ping a tear in memory of the sad fate of the se ve seldiers, who far from their home and leve, ng so fond'y of "Annie Laurie t"]-En. THE SONG OF THE CAMP.

#### BY RAYARD TAYLOR.

"Give us a sing!" the sildier cried, The outer trenches guarding, When the heated guns of the compallied, Grew weary of be mbarding.

The dark Redan, in silent sk ff, L y grim and threatening mater; And the Lawry mound of the Malak ff No longer belched its thunder.

There was a guard. The guardman said : We storm the f rts t smorr w; Sing while we may, another d y Will bring enough of serrow."

There by : 1 og the batteries side, B. ve hearls from Severa and from Clide,
And from the banks of Shannon. Below the smeking cannon-

They sang of leve, and not of fame; Forg. t was Briton's glo. y. Each heart recalled a different name, But all sang "Aunie Laurie."

Vice after vice caught up the song, Until the tender passicu R-se like an anthem rich and strong-Their battle-eve e. niesso n.

Dear girl, her name he dare not speak, Yet as the song grew londer, 8 mething upon the soldier's check Weshed if the stain of p wder.

B youd the darkening ocean burned The blody sunsers embers, While the red Crimean valley learned How English have remembers.

And once again a fire of hell R sined on the Russian quarters, With screams of shot and burst of shell, And bell-wing of the mortars.

400 1; give M ty m ares. M. Who sang of "Aame Laurie."

Ah seldier! t y ur h nored rest: Y ur truth and val r bearing; The br vest are the tenderest-The I vit g are the daring.

#### EXBELOVED. BY G. MASSI Y.

Like a tree beside the river O her life that time from me, D 1 le n me, marmaring ever In any I ve's al Litry. And A reach out books of blossing, And I started out books of proper, And, we is possibilities caressing Waste my life op a the sir. in my e re be sy ou river

Sing and imics up in ny ace, But our ever and for ever Runs from my embrace. Spring by spring the branches d ily

Ci me h inscives in tender fl wer; And of her weet school truly All their time and for grame Bu he stream, with e reless augh ere, Kuns in merry be my by.

And leaves me, yearning after, L. r. t. weep, and l. ra t. die. In my ears the syrea river Sing , and smars up in my face; But is a ever and for ever Runs from my embrace.

## ALSEE LANT.

[From the National American. TOCCOA, THE BEAUTIFUL. A LEGEND OF TOLLOA FALLS.

In April-the last year of the eighteenth century—on a oright, calm morning, a young lustian girl sat upon a moss covered rock by a clear pool in which fell a stream of water from a cizzy height above of one bundred and signty six feet. Sae gazed musingly at the musoda, water in the poot, and at the hurry n wavelets white the din of the causes i, like the evertasing murmurm, s of the rest- inteen years. She was borne away from as spirit-and Toccoa (the Beautiful) as ween but three years of age-an inthought of ner young lover, Terrora, (the | fant; and she has now bloomed into wo-Terriote.) a daring, noble-s, hated young mannood." and nan some Imitan Uniet, whose courage and invinctole will sent terror to the brave and daring; if he fell upon his At this communication, the young enemies like botts of wrath from the dark C. i f was startled, and then a dark cloud storm-cloud; he was also generous and mild. He disdained to extort unjust terms from the week and helpless.

Toccoa, the beautiful In dan Mai len. Was generally supposed to be the daughter of an old In Jan warrior; though she was not. Sue had been in his charge since her childhood; but what were the facts of ner parentage was not precisely known. She was of full, round form, indicating a mould perfect and extremely graceful. Sue passed by you as munoly m a lawn, such was the freedom of her of carls, down upon brunette snoulders ever falling spray from the cataract set. There is no punishment for the libertine and on a full and heaving bosom. Her tled upon the foliage below, and the soft who pollutes your household, and brings large blue eyes, that rolled slewly around, lines of light that creep through the trees, your family to degradation and ruin, yet

lessly telling her of his devotion.

es the beautiful red bird and it fell at to rescue her, but in catching hold of her her; but in an instant she beheld Ter- fell over into that awful abyss! before her.

r from boully.

Goo . To coa, thou star that lights my path at night-more beautiful than the falling stream! thou hast rebuked me!" he replied, looking sorrowfully at the dead bir l. from whose side a stream of blood was slowly oozing. "Great Spirit, for tve!" he narmared.

"I have long awaited your coming, said Tocom, after an impressive silence. "You stay too long away in the chase, and I hanely and sad; an i even now you must be gene to see a pale face who awaits your return."

The young In 1 n Chief gathered great man ier of flowers and twining them in a wre da, cir les taem above the forenead of the Maiden, and placed the ends cated of orn an at rem ined. He turned and depitted down a path, through the will y, that led to an Indian village wh re his put was.

"To night, when pale Luna lights the brest and smiles up n the falling Water. come, and Terrora will meet you upon these rocks," he said as he walked away.

Toocoa tarried still in the valley and mused upon th future. A land of flowers, of dreamy bass, stretenes out before; out, alas! she oes not see the dark than der- olt of fatality that is suspended a ove h r-that is to shiver her little tite-batk.

Let us follow Terrora to his wigwam, and near the mission of the pale face who aw its is comme.

He nt red his wi wam with a stern no sol non brow. The white man arises respectfully and extends his hand. "Come you as a friend!" asked the

Clast in broken English. "Yes-as a friend-and to ask of the Cajel a born dear to my heart," was the

Name it, and know that Terrora is not less generous in peace than he is terrible in w r,' spoke the Chief.

Encouraged by this remark the white man n rrated to him the story of a child that had been taken from him by the Indi bs-a beautiful daughter-and that he had come to ask her renditi n. "Where is she !" asked the Chief, af-

fected by the story. " In this village," was the reply, "Nay, that cannot be, unless she has

been brought in within a few days." "I do not know how long she has been here, but she has been in your tribe above

"Her name!" asked Terrora. "Toccoa! named by an old Indian!

seemed to pass over his spirit and veiled it with a gloomy shad w. He stood speechless for several mements, with his

arms folded across his heaving bosom, and then spoke in soliloquy-"Only two mos as more, and Toccos would have been the stay of Terrora! But the Great Spirit shall bear me witness that as the leader of his children, 1 will restore what is not our own, though

Night came, and the full moon rode through mid-heaven in a flood of silvery limbs. Her hair was dark-brown, and through mid-heaven in a flood of silvery fell upon ner shoulders in a rich profusion sheen, attended by a starry throng. The

gladden her mother's heart. Sudenly the timid Maiden started up, A slight shrick came from her, and she esty or capability. on I a bright smile wreathed her face. - staggered back towards the verge of the h r head with his bow. The arrow pi re- eighty-six feet. Terrora sprang forward

and raised the dead bird and held it up ans that, since the fatal night, the mormor of the waterfall had been more sel "And will the great, brave Chief kill com, and that a frint shrick is heard in a harmless ir . I' she asked looking up the menth of April every year, resembling that of the Maiden.

#### DUELLING.

We have noticed of late several arti des in the newspapers against the barb rous practice of duchting. The Mrs. Canales of the press, who prefer setting their difficulties with broom sticks, or by scolding and tongue Lishing their adversary, swoon away with norror at the idea has so often been crimsoned with blood, consideration. The writer from whom made to be rendered happier and better We do not pretend to justify the morality | we quote says: of ducting, but we recognise the practice as an evil necessary to prevent other and Texas pressuled an entirely new phase. greater evil. History, the world over: Sue was no longer dep n, ent on adven than amen, those who abhor and abjure the practice. Brave men are slow to give off use to one whose courage is unquestioned, because desperation and blood property, her people settled nown from a and death ensu, an if the people would universally reco, use duelling, and be punctiflous in its observatice, there would he but few insults. Hence it is we are apposed to any legislative enactments against du lin ... The statute books of nearly all the States are stained with the severest penalties against duelling. In deed, there is a clause in some of the constitutions of the States requiring a man to swear before accepting office, that he has not fought a duel with deadly weapons within the State, nor out of it nor sent, or accepted a challenge to he hinor acted as a second in carrying a chai I nge, or ailed, a lyised or assisted in thus offending. All such stuff is a dis grace to the constitution of any State that adopts it. We are in favor of the old Jeffersonian test for office-" is he he nest ! is he capable ?" A man's hav ing fought, aided or abetted in a duel in the San wich Islands should not disqualify him for holding office in any of the States in this Union. If citizens reside in my State with such a constitution, no matter to what part of the globe he may stray-no matter what may be the custom of the country in which he may be journeying; no matter it the laws of that country allow duelling ; no matter if one who refuses to accept a challenge to fight a duel, may be held up to the scorn of the people as a cr.ven hearted coward, yet the constitution of some of the States requires the citizen so situated, to hear the stigma of a poltroon, or di-franci ise himself, by accepting a challenge in accordance with the custom of the country. Suppose such a civizen should plead, as a reason for refusing to accept the challenge, his unwillingness to disqualify himself from holding office in the State of witch he is a citizen; and even suppose that he has been so thoughtfur as to have provided himself with a State constitution, which he offers in evidence of the truth of what he may state to be the law; will that have the effect to place him in the same position he would have

occupied had he accepted the challenge? Even in Tennessec-proud and chivalrous Tennessee-we notice that our statute hooks are disgraved with the severest pen sities against duelling. The duelist wno, in an honorable contest shoots down some vile slanderer of himself his wife the hand that replaces shall plant weeds or his daughter, is held up as a cuiprit, over its own grave." murderer, the perjurer and the thief. Is this justice? No law can reach the villain who robs you of an honest name.-

to catch the gran leur of those wild and and vines fell upon the pendant water- if you kill the slimy reptile in a duel, you | How Rain is Formed .- To understand | picturesque hills, and picture them upon drops and gave them the billiance of the are sent to the penitentiary! Shame the philosophy of this phenomenon, esher heart—that kindled with enthusiasm dian out; and every little cluster of shrub-in dwelling upon the great precipice— hery seemed is len with jewels. The those large and generous eyes bespoke the great heart and lofty spirit of the Indian Matten.

She was indeed beautiful. She seemed more the impersonation of a dream of angelia layelings than a simple layeling and the layeling layeling and the layeling layeling and the layeling layeling and the layeling layeling layeling and the layeling more the impersonation of a dream of angelic loveliness than a simple Indian with a merry, low laugh, and was soon dent because he killed Dickinson in a dent because he killed Dickinso There she sat upon the rocks and fixed gaze and sorrowful features, her awaited the return of Terrora, with pallocation and the sound descent in the street of the street of the sound descent in the street of the "And is Terrora sorrowful?" she ask- a duel ever weaken his influence? We mosphere, and consequently its capability and the gentleman, by extending his left spirit, as for his delicate and pil ble nated softw; "will not Toccoa share his hardly think any of these questions will to retain humidity is proportionally greater. arm, brings the lady's face in contact ture. It was not the mighty champin toils and sorrows in two more moons?" be answered in the affirmative. Neither ter in warm than in cold air. The air with his own, her curls, if she has any, The Chief then related to her the mis- the fighting a duel nor the challenging near the surface of the earth is warmer winding round his neck This would be beneath the outspreading branches of the sion of the pale face, and that she was one to fight, nor the bearing a challenge, than it is in the region of the clouds,— called kissing, if it were not dancing, old forest oak or the clustering vines, art. the lost daughter, and must return to nor the aiding, advising or assisting a The higher we ascend from the earth the person so offending, can effect one's hon- colder we find the atmosphere.

Legi lation cannot put down dueling; and even if it could, it would inaugurate proached stealthily within a few paces of stood, ballanced upon the edge of the in its place evils still worse—petty quarther, and shot a bird on a bran h above rock over a precipice of one hundred and rels, strife and bickerings. The Legisla-Toccoa's feet. It was this that startled her; but in an instant she beheld Terror, who, at one bound, sprang forward. serving it, there would be more harmony mong m.n.-Aralanche.

#### Opening to the South-F.ve New States.

From a highly interesting letter from Drieans Crescent, relative to the thriving State of Texas, we extract the following which we commend to our readers as worthy of careful perusal and setious and oneer, if he goes alone. We are

"With the close of the Mexican War, Government for protection against hosstate of wild ex itement turnoil and uncertainty, to one of columess, peace and se. tolly. The in ustrious speedily engaged in the development of the hat ural resources of the State, by Which they proved to the world that Texas was one of the best agricultural and stock raising States in the Union. The attraction woich drew within her borders reckless adventurers no longer existed.

They were succeeded by other more which consists of toiling prairies with sons unsurpassed in fertility, reacy for the plow. Hills and variets aftereing mattrons and aimost boundless pasturage tor carde, sheep and horses, an elimate well anapted to the growth of the stable of the South, and of every variety of cereals and trutts grown in North Ame-

rica. With these attractions, Texas now tooms up before the South in States of this Union as the only reliable field prescated for the extension of Southern institutions and Southern political power. That the South will avail itself of this opening-that Southern men and Southem inscitutelis witt prevait here, and thet in a comparatively south space of time, tals great territory will be cut up into six slive States, in my firm conviction .-Existing circumstances will, in spite of an opposition, effect this much to be desired result.

From the Potomae to the Sabine the pri es of good lands range from ten to fifeen doil is per acre, an nearly all the lands that can be profitably cubivated ave ocen taken up by actual settlers, consequently the sons of planters and others who wish to engage in agriculture itra stave St to cannot outain good land within convenint distance of a loping points, without paying exact itant prices. in Texas there are millions of acres of ber of Congress. as good land as the sun ever shone upon - qually as good for the cultivation of corn an i cotton as any in the South, and better thin any on the continent for raising stock-which can be had at prices ranging from fifteen cents to three dol-Lirs per acre. When these facts are taken into consideration and also the facts that the young men of the South who are just entering upon the stage of action, are immed with a strong lave for Southern institutions, and posess a deeprooted prejudice against the lanatical free States, the conclusion of every sensible man must be that the present vacant I ads of Texas will be speedily occupied by the Sons of the Sonth.

The laborer is worthy of his like.

Hence the perpetual snow on very Now, when from continued evaporation source of and above the enacted law, and denses as it cools, and like a sponge fillan aroatrament and be pun titious in ob- simple, is such an arrangement for watering the earth.

[Scientific American.

Alone in Life .- What can be more discouraging toan the feeling that, in our a michigent correspondent of the New struggles through life, in our trids and our disappointments, there are none to sympathize or care for us ? No man can go far with unabated strength, courage and praise; and the hearts that are deb rred from these influences inevitably witner, harden, or break. Here and of a revival. She refied on the Federal ( which they thus seek to hide, affect to be altogether independent of the notice tile In i.m, and thus secure in life and or regard of their fellow beings! but it is a very safe a cition to make, that never yet was there one num a heart that cil not, at some time, and in some tender and yearning hour, long for the sympathy of other hearts. And there is nobinty in this feeling.

Fit for Nothing but .- Some years ago, Congress numbered among its members several who were much given to a love of liquor, and were frequently seen about the streets of the metropolis "on a spree." peaceful on a profitable till rs of the land, Such conduct on the part of our law makers didn't impress the outsiders with such an exalted opinion of M. C's, as they once had, as the meident I am about to relate in the attack on the Alamo in San Antowill show.

> ong session, a party of gentlemen, including several members of Congress, were seated around the door of the house of a friend, trying to get cool, when an sissippi-one of the bloodiest rencounters old toper, "all tattered and torn," known on record, in which he was wounded and as Bitt Scrags, made his appearance in two men were killed. He was a man of their midst; and asked for money to ob- consummate daring, and of great muscutain a night's lodging and something to lar powers, and on more than one occasion eat. The Hon. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, a very kind hearted and respectable member of the House, soon engaged Bill in conversation. and at once discovered that he was an educated man, and remarked to him:

> "My friend you appear to have seen better days; I would like to know some and but little sided by the elements of thing of your history."

Bill drew bimself up, and after a slight

pause, said : "Sir, I have seen better days! My parents are well to do; they gave me a good education and a profession, and, at ne time, my prospects in life were as bright as any man's; but, alas! sir. in in one place broken, whatever care has an evil hour, I became addicted to drink: from that moment I have been going down, down, down, antil I have become an outcast, a leafer-of no account-fit place .- Foster. for nothing on this earth but to be a mem-

Editorials.- A noted chap ence step ped into the sanctum of a venerable and highly respected editor, and includeed in a tirade against a citizen with whom he was on bad terms. "I wish, ' said he, addressing the man wi h the pen, "that you would write a very severe article against B ... and put it in your paper." " Very well," was the reply. After some more conversation, the visitor went away. The next morning he came rushing into the office in a violent state of excitement. "What did you put in your paper? I have had my nose pulled, and been kicked twice." "I wrote a severe article, as you desired," calmly returned the editor, and signed your name to it." Harry burg Union.

Fancy Dance in Tennessee .- A cor respondent, writing from Lookout Moun

The opinion of the hoosier who was asked what he thought of this kind of dancing, is very expressive. He said high mount, ins, in the hottest climates, that he thought " the dancing wern's much, but the hugging was glorious," I ture com of provide a punishment for be suddenly reduced by cold currents de- ing. It does not lie in my mouth to fighting a duel more dreatful than public scending from above, or rushing from a condemn dancing-being so guilty a sinwhich commands them to violate it.—

ed with water and compressed, pours out is no established standard of propriety the water which its dimmished capacity about this matter and, it is left to individthat it the world would recognize such cannot 'hold. How singular, yet how hal taste and local custom. In some places they are approved-in others conden ned-in all tolerated.

An Irishman went to confession, and while relating his sins his eye lit on a plug of tobacco sticking half out of one of the pockets of his father confessor's pants. The furtive instinct of the son of the Green Isle was tempted beyond its strength by the sight; so, heedless of of time and place, be slyly transferred "the bit o' backy" into his own pocket, and after enumerating a long series of violations of the command of God and holy Church, concluded bp saying "An' sure, Father, I stole a plug o'tobacky," "You must restore either it or its value greater evil. History, the world over: Suc was no longer dep in the land over there are found persons who from pride, to the owner, said the priest. Take it, intustrates that there are fewer insults and quarrels among men who are duellists settled in placed beyond the possibility quarrels among men who are duellists settled in placed beyond the possibility (which they thus seek to hide, affect to the stolen article. "I don't want it," replied the priest: "give it to the owner, I say." "Sure an' I offered it to the owner." said Pat, " an, not a bit would he take in, yer river nee." "Oh! if that s the case, then you may keep it." "Thanks to yer riverence," rejoined Pat' repocketing the weed: "I'm riddy for the absolution-"

> Bowie Knife .- This murderous weapon received name from Col. James Bowie, a gentleman by whem it was invented. or first used. Col. Bowie distinguished himself in the war of independence in Texas. He showed great bravery in several battles and skirmishes, and was killed with Col nels Travis and Crocket, n'o. Col. Bowie fived in Louisiana, but One hot mornlight night, during a was by birth a Georgian. He became notorious in the Southwest on account of a terrible due! which he fought with Norris. Wright and others on a bar of the Misis said to have roped and sidden an altigator.

> > Power of Temptation .- I know from experience that habit can, in direct oppo-sition to every conviction of the mind, temptation, induce a repetition of the most unworthy actions. The mind is weak, where it has once given way. It is long before a principle restored can become as firm as one that has never been moved. It is as in case of the mound of a reservoir; if this mound has been taken to make the repaired part as string as possible the probability is that, if it gives way a ain it will be in that

Importance of Firmness .- There is no trait of human character so potential for weal or woe as firmness. Before its irresistible energy, the most fermidable obstacles bee me as cobweb harriers in its path. Difficulties, the terrors of which cause the campered sons of luxury to shrink back in dismay, p cycke from the man of lofty determinal a only a smile. The whole history of our race ture, indeed—teems with examples to show what wonders may be acc med-bed by resolute perseverable and patient toil.

" Captain, what's the fare to St. Lou is? "What part of the heat do you wish to go on -cabin or deck!" "Hing your cabin." said the gentlemes from Indiana. "I live in a cabis it home: